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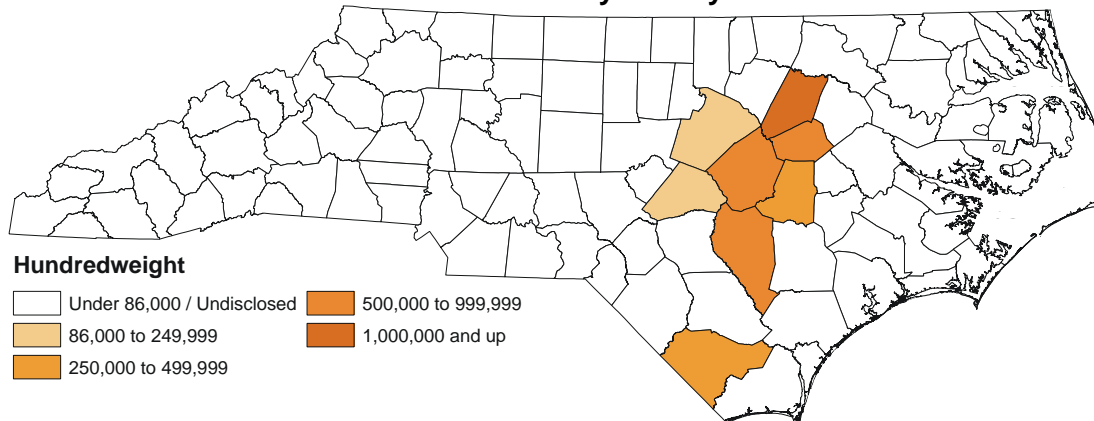
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Quick Facts

- ❖ North Carolina ranked number one in the nation at 6.67 million cwt. and accounted for 36.9% of all sweetpotatoes grown in the United States.
- ❖ North Carolina's record high for sweetpotato production was set in 2006 at 7.02 million cwt.
- ❖ A total of 43,000 acres of sweetpotatoes was harvested in 2007 at a yield of 155 cwt. per acre, 25 cwt. per acre less than the record set in 2006.

Production by County



Leading Sweetpotato Producing Counties

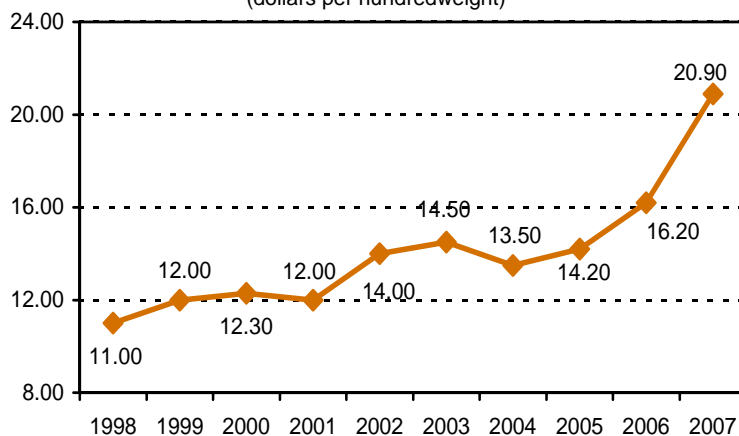
Leading Counties ¹	Hundredweight
Nash	1,049,500
Sampson	998,000
Wilson	936,000
Johnston	918,000
Wayne	358,000

¹Ranking of Published Counties Only

Sweetpotatoes Harvested, Yield and Production

Year	Harvested (thousand acres)	Yield hundredweight	Production (thousand hundredweight)
1998	32	170	5,440
1999	29	130	3,770
2000	37	150	5,550
2001	36	155	5,580
2002	37	130	4,810
2003	42	140	5,880
2004	43	160	6,880
2005	35	170	5,950
2006	39	180	7,020
2007	43	155	6,665

Prices received for Sweetpotatoes (dollars per hundredweight)



Sweetpotatoes Planted & Harvested (thousand acres)

